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- 1. Japanese Patent No. 2897769, issued March 12, 1999.
- 2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. H10-336130, published December 18, 1998.
- 3. Takahata, Tatsumi, "Development of mobile Communication Networks", Denshi Joho Tsushin Gakkaishi, Electronic Data communications Association newsletter, Vol. 8, No. 2, pp. 153-160, February 1999.

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